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London, W. 1
21 April 1948

To: Chief, Foreign Broadcast Information Branch

From: Chief, London Bureau, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

Subject: Report of Activities of London Bureau Covering Month
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